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SUPERINTENDENT YBARRA RESPONDS TO NEED FOR MORE OPERATIONAL FUNDING FOR DISTRICTS

BOISE – Superintendent of Public Instruction Sherri Ybarra is thrilled with Governor Otter’s budget recommendation for education. This continues the trajectory path for increased funding for Idaho’s students.

Ybarra is scheduled to make her proposed budget presentation to the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee (JFAC) on January 29, 2015. This request will include a shift in purpose from various non-discretionary categories to the Division of Operations, which gives more local control to the districts to allocate funds where they need it most. The Governor’s office and JFAC Co-Chairs have been made aware of these new recommendations.

The proposed budget recommends shifting \$18.759 million dollars into the Division of Operations. The \$18.759 million originated from various line items. A few examples include: \$1.4 million from the Professional Development line item (PD360) and \$904,000 from the Instructional Management System Maintenance line item.

“Administrators and Superintendents across Idaho have shared their needs and concerns during the listening tour for more control of operational monies to address their individual challenges,” said Ybarra. “Our new vision for the State Department of Education is to support schools and students to achieve. This is the foundation for everything we do and will be reflected in every decision we make, and every action we take.”

For more information on the recommended budget, please visit the SDE website.

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Public School Support Program
Distribution Factor

	APPROPRIATION 2014-2015 ¹	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION 2015-2016 ¹	SOPI REQUEST 2015-2016 ¹	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION 2015-2016 ¹		SOPI REQUEST 2015-2016 ¹	
				Change from 2014-2015 Appropriation		Change from 2014-2015 Appropriation	
				\$	%	\$	%
1 REVENUES							
a. General Fund	\$1,366,298,500	\$1,467,420,500	\$1,453,350,300	\$101,122,000	7.4%	\$87,051,800	6.4%
STATE DEDICATED REVENUE							
b. Endowment / Lands	\$31,292,400	\$32,758,800	\$32,758,800	\$1,466,400	4.7%	\$1,466,400	4.7%
c. Miscellaneous	15,500,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	(8,500,000)	-54.8%	(8,500,000)	-54.8%
d. Lottery Dividend / Interest on Cooperative Fund	18,820,000	19,125,000	19,125,000	305,000	1.6%	305,000	1.6%
e. Bond Levy Equalization Fund	16,262,400	12,750,000	12,750,000	(3,512,400)	-21.6%	(3,512,400)	-21.6%
f. Cigarette and Lottery Taxes	4,700,000	4,421,400	4,421,400	(278,600)	-5.9%	(278,600)	-5.9%
TOTAL STATE DEDICATED REVENUE	\$86,574,800	\$76,055,200	\$76,055,200	(\$10,519,600)	-12.2%	(\$10,519,600)	-12.2%
TOTAL STATE REVENUES	\$1,452,873,300	\$1,543,475,700	\$1,529,405,500	\$90,602,400	6.2%	\$76,532,200	5.3%
g. FEDERAL REVENUES ¹	\$265,000,000	\$265,000,000	\$280,000,000	0	0.0%	15,000,000	5.7%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,717,873,300	\$1,808,475,700	\$1,809,405,500	\$90,602,400	5.3%	\$91,532,200	5.3%
2 STATUTORY EXPENDITURES							
a. Transportation	\$69,281,800	\$71,521,900	\$71,521,900	\$2,240,100	3.2%	\$2,240,100	3.2%
b. Border Contracts	1,100,000	1,100,000	1,100,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
c. Exceptional Contracts and Tuition Equivalents	5,065,600	5,065,600	5,065,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
d. Salary-based Apportionment	781,570,700	792,867,800	798,973,500	11,297,100	1.4%	17,402,800	2.2%
e. State-Paid Employee Benefits	148,363,900	150,506,900	151,665,200	2,143,000	1.4%	3,301,300	2.2%
f. Career Ladder	0	25,974,600	16,278,300	25,974,600	NA	16,278,300	NA
g. Leadership Awards / Premiums	15,800,000	15,800,000	15,800,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
h. Teacher Incentive Award (Nat'l Bd Cert)	90,000	90,000	90,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
i. Idaho Safe and Drug-Free Schools	2,534,300	4,421,400	4,421,400	1,887,100	74.5%	1,887,100	74.5%
j. Bond Levy Equalization Support Program	19,600,000	19,400,000	19,400,000	(200,000)	-1.0%	(200,000)	-1.0%
k. Charter School Facilities	2,100,000	4,200,000	4,200,000	2,100,000	100.0%	2,100,000	100.0%
l. Idaho Digital Learning Academy	6,664,400	7,155,900	7,075,000	491,500	7.4%	410,600	6.2%
m. School Facilities Funding (lottery)	12,570,000	19,125,000	19,125,000	6,555,000	52.1%	6,555,000	52.1%
n. School Facilities Maintenance Match	1,716,000	3,610,000	3,610,000	1,894,000	110.4%	1,894,000	110.4%
o. Advanced Opportunities	640,600	640,600	640,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
p. High School Redesign - Math / Science	4,850,000	5,018,000	5,018,000	168,000	3.5%	168,000	3.5%
q. School District Strategic Planning	326,000	326,000	326,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
3 NON-STATUTORY EXPENDITURES							
a. Technology	10,400,000	21,400,000	19,400,000	11,000,000	105.8%	9,000,000	86.5%
b. Technology Pilot Projects	3,000,000	0	0	(3,000,000)	-100.0%	(3,000,000)	-100.0%
c. IT Staffing	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
d. Instructional Management System (IMS) Maintenance	4,500,000	4,500,000	3,596,000	0	0.0%	(904,000)	-20.1%
e. Student Achievement Assessments	1,703,500	1,703,500	1,798,500	0	0.0%	95,000	5.6%
f. Math Initiative, Reading Initiative, Remediation	10,500,000	10,500,000	10,500,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
g. Limited English Proficient (LEP)	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
h. Administrative Evaluation	300,000	300,000	0	0	0.0%	(300,000)	-100.0%
i. Professional Development (Idaho Core, District Funding, and PD 360)	9,455,000	21,555,000	8,000,000	12,100,000	128.0%	(1,455,000)	-15.4%
j. Idaho Core Standards Professional Development	2,700,000	0	0	(2,700,000)	-100.0%	(2,700,000)	-100.0%
k. Content and Curriculum	5,000,000	0	0	(5,000,000)	-100.0%	(5,000,000)	-100.0%
l. Training and Development	0	752,000	0	752,000	NA	0	NA
m. College and Career Counseling	0	2,500,000	0	2,500,000	NA	0	NA
n. Mastery-based System Pilot	0	400,000	0	400,000	NA	0	NA
4 FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	265,000,000	265,000,000	280,000,000	0	0.0%	15,000,000	5.7%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,391,331,800	\$1,461,934,200	\$1,454,105,000	\$70,602,400	5.1%	\$62,773,200	4.5%
5 PUBLIC EDUCATION STABILIZATION FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA	\$0	NA
6 NET STATE FUNDING	\$326,541,500	\$346,541,500	\$355,300,500	\$20,000,000	6.1%	\$28,759,000	8.8%
7 SUPPORT UNITS	14,577.0	14,647.0	14,706.0	70.0	0.5%	129.0	0.9%
8 DISTRIBUTION FACTOR (includes \$300 for Safe Environment Provisions)	\$22,401.15	\$23,659.55	\$24,160.24	\$1,258.40	5.6%	\$1,759.09	7.9%

¹Excludes Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and the Blind